

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2701

Introduced by Assembly Member Gonzalez

February 21, 2014

An act to amend Section 12924 of the Water Code, relating to groundwater.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2701, as introduced, Gonzalez. Groundwater basins: investigation and report.

Existing law requires the Department of Water Resources, in conjunction with other public agencies, to conduct an investigation of the state's groundwater basins and to report its findings to the Governor and the Legislature not later than January 1, 2012, and thereafter in years ending in 5 or 0.

This bill would make a technical, nonsubstantive change in these provisions.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 12924 of the Water Code is amended to
2 read:

3 12924. (a) The department, in conjunction with other public
4 agencies, shall conduct an investigation of the state's groundwater
5 basins. The department shall identify the state's groundwater basins
6 on the basis of geological and hydrological conditions and
7 consideration of political boundary lines whenever practical. The

1 department shall also investigate existing general patterns of
2 groundwater pumping and groundwater recharge within those
3 *groundwater* basins to the extent necessary to identify basins that
4 are subject to critical conditions of overdraft.

5 (b) The department shall report its findings to the Governor and
6 the Legislature not later than January 1, 2012, and thereafter in
7 years ending in 5 or 0.